

IRAQ-EGYPT-ARGENTINA: Missile Cooperation

totaling \$15 million to Egypt for a project called Badr-2000.

Badr-2000 is an Argentine-Egyptian-Iraqi effort to produce a 700- to 800-kilometer-range surface-to-surface missile.

Comment: This is the strongest evidence yet that Cairo and Baghdad are funding part of Argentina's development program, reportedly in exchange for an unspecified number of missiles and for the technology needed to begin indigenous production. The Badr-2000 is probably Condor II, which Argentina is developing with the assistance of Western firms in Argentina and which has a range of 450 miles (750 kilometers). It is scheduled to undergo flight testing before the end of the year, and deliveries to Iraq and Egypt could begin by 1990.

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